

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY BONN  
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USMISSION USBERLIN  
INFO AMEMBASSY LONDON  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L BONN 03000

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EAIR, PFORN PGOV, WB, GE, GW, US, UK, FR, SZ  
SUBJECT: CIVAIR: BERLIN-ZURICH SERVICE

REF: BERLIN 491

1. FOR THE RECORD "WESTERN AUTHORITIES" IN BONN,  
ESPECIALLY THE FRENCH CAA WERE INDEED "INDIGNANT"  
ABOUT MAYOR LUEDER'S ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE BERLIN-  
ZURICH SERVICE, ALTHOUGH THE INDIGNATION WAS DIRECTED  
AT PAN AMERICAN AND NOT AT LUEDER. EMBASSY OFFICERS  
DID NOT TALK TO ANY WELT REPORTER MUCH LESS MAKE THE  
QUOTE CONTAINED REFTEL ABOUT LUEDER KNOWING MORE  
THAN THE COMPETENT AUTHORITIES. (THE STATEMENT,  
INCIDENTALLY, IS TRUE. LUEDER APPARENTLY DID KNOW  
ABOUT THE AGREEMENT BEFORE EITHER THE FRENCH OR UK  
CAA'S.) WE DID TALK TO A REPORTER FOR THE SPRINGER  
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NEWS SERVICE WHO CALLED US FROM BERLIN AND TOLD HIM  
THAT THE CAA'S HAD NOT RECEIVED A PROPOSAL FROM PAN  
AM AND BA. THE QUOTED STATEMENT IS A LOGICAL DE-  
DUCTION FROM THAT.

2. THERE IS UNLIKELY TO BE ANY IMMEDIATE HARM FROM  
THIS INCIDENT. THE FRENCH CAA HAS RAISED THE POSSI-

BILITY THAT HE MAY REFUSE TO APPROVE PAN AM'S ZURICH SERVICE, BUT HE CAN PROBABLY BE MOLLIFIED. THE REAL HARM IS THAT THIS INCIDENT REINFORCES THE STRONG SUSPICION IF NOT CONVICTION OF OUR ALLIES THAT THE USG AND PAN AM ARE AT BEST IRRESPONSIBLE IN RELEASING THINGS TO THE PRESS AND PUBLIC AND AT WORST DELIBERATELY USING SUCH RELEASES TO PRESSURE THE FRENCH AND BRITISH.

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